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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2005 for three(3) month(s) from May 8, 2005 to August 8, 2005. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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